

302 KAR 10:060. Consumer grades.

RELATES TO: KRS 260.620, 7 C.F.R. 56, 57, 70

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 260.620

NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 260.620 requires the department to establish standards governing eggs offered for sale as graded eggs. This administrative regulation establishes the specifications for the Kentucky consumer grades for shell eggs offered for sale in Kentucky.

Section 1. Shell eggs that are offered for sale in Kentucky as graded eggs shall be classified as Kentucky consumer grade AA, A, or B, in accordance with the specifications for each grade established in this section.

(1) Kentucky consumer grade AA shall consist of eggs which are at least seventy-two (72) percent AA quality and which do not exceed the maximum tolerance established in this subsection. The maximum tolerance for Kentucky consumer grade AA:

(a) Shall be twenty-eight (28) percent of the eggs below AA quality; and

(b) May consist of A or B quality in any combination with not more than:

1. Seven (7) checks in a combination; or

2. One (1) percent leakers or dirties in a combination.

(2) Kentucky consumer grade A shall consist of eggs which are at least eighty-two (82) percent A quality and which do not exceed the maximum tolerance established in this subsection. The maximum tolerance for Kentucky consumer grade A:

(a) Shall be eighteen (18) percent of the eggs below A quality; and

(b) Not more than:

1. Seven (7) checks in a combination; or

2. One (1) percent leakers or dirties in a combination.

(3) Kentucky consumer grade B shall consist of eggs which are at least ninety (90) percent B quality and which do not exceed the maximum tolerance established in this subsection. The maximum tolerance for Kentucky consumer grade B shall be not more than:

(a) Ten (10) checks; or

(b) One (1) percent leakers or dirties in a combination.

Section 2. (1) The weight classes for Kentucky consumer grades for shell eggs shall be as follows:

Size or weight class	Minimum net weight per dozen	Minimum net weight per 30 dozen	Minimum weight for individual eggs at rate per dozen
	Ounces	Pounds	Ounces
Jumbo	30	56	29
Extra large	27	50 1/2	26
Large	24	45	23
Medium	21	39 1/2	20
Small	18	34	17

Pee-wee	15	28	-
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(2) A lot average tolerance of three and three-tenths (3.3) percent for individual eggs in the next lower weight class shall be permitted if an individual case within the lot does not exceed five (5) percent. (Agr: Egg:Sq100; 1 Ky.R. 736; eff. 5-14-75; Am. 24 Ky.R. 1546; 1873; eff. 3-16-98.)